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GOV. ARNALL SUES TO OUST TALMADGE

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 15.—Gov. Ellis Arnall today filed legal action to oust Herman Talmadge from the executive offices in the State Capitol after the young white supremacy chief invaded it at the head of a brawling mob. Talmadge claimed the governorship yesterday after



SWORN IN: Herman Talmadge, claiming 675 write-in votes, is sworn in as Governor of Georgia by Superior Court Justice A. W. Worrill in Atlanta.

the State Legislature "elected" him to take the place of his father, the late Eugene Talmadge, who died before being sworn in. Arnall denounced the action of the Legislature as illegal and declared that he would not surrender his office until Lt. Gov.-elect M. E. Thompson is sworn in and can take over the governorship.

Arnall, who has been a leader in the fight against the white supremacy gang supporting Talmadge, launched his legal action through Attorney General Eugene Cook. It was believed Cook filed an action with the Fulton County Superior Court and it was expected that the case would move quickly to the State Supreme Court.

BROKE INTO CAPITOL

This morning Talmadge, leading a group of his supporters, broke into the executive offices and demanded that Arnall let him take over. Arnall refused, whereupon Talmadge's backers tried to get in forcibly, but were blocked by State troopers. Talmadge then retired to another part of the building and set up offices there and began to issue orders as "governor."

One of Talmadge's first acts was to dissolve the State Guard headed by Col R. W. Collins. Collins immediately defied him and issued an "order of the day" to his troops to disregard any "purported" orders emanating from a citizen (Talmadge) who pretends to be governor because of illegal action by the General Assembly. The State Guard is a type of home guard.

The unprecedented tangle was precipitated by the death, 23 days before inauguration of the elder Talmadge, a notorious Negro-hater who campaigned on a pledge to bar Negroes from Georgia politics. In fact, one of the first acts of the Talmadge-dominated legislature is expected to be passage of a bill barring Negroes from Democratic primaries in the state. Talmadge boasted of his membership in the Ku Klux Klan, whose political spokesman he was.

ARMED CLASH POSSIBLE

The election of the elder Talmadge was also under a cloud, although perfectly legal, since he received a minority of the votes in the primary. However, Georgia law gives the election to the candidate receiving the

highest number of electoral votes per county, and not on a majority basis.

Possibility of an armed clash in this city was raised by reports that Talmadge was mobilizing the National Guard for a show of strength. Several leading officers of the National Guard are reputed to be Talmadge supporters.

Talmadge also sought to strengthen his grip on the National Guard by appointing its chief, Marvin Griffin, to a new term as State Adjutant General. Griffin had been an Arnall supporter, but went over to Talmadge.

In Washington, the War Department refused to take sides in the struggle for control of the State's military forces. It declared that its functions were merely to pass on the military qualifications of appointees and not to judge the legality of the appointments.

Talmadge broke into the executive offices at 2:30 a. m. but was confronted by Arnall who termed him a "pretender."

When Arnall refused to relinquish the governorship Talmadge adherents attacked any Arnall supporters they saw. John Nahara, 300-pound bodyguard of the elder Talmadge, badly mauled T. M. Buchanan, Arnall's chauffeur. The Talmadge mob also wrecked furniture in the Capitol.

NEWSREEL CAMERAS BUSY

Throngs of adherents of both men filled the building all day, in addition to hundreds of merely curious who dropped in for a look at the bizarre proceedings. Newsreel cameras were set up inside the building and all action took place under the glare of klieg lights.

Young Talmadge was declared "elected" at 2 a. m. after a 16-hour legislative session, featured by wrangling and jockeying by both blocs. He received 161 votes with 81 legislators abstaining. His "election" was based on the fact that he received 675 write-in votes for governor, six more than James V. Carmichael, who outpolled the elder Talmadge in the primary. Carmichael conducted no campaign after his primary defeat.

A feature of young Talmadge's election was a last-minute discovery of 77 allegedly misplaced write-in votes for him from Telfair County, his home county.

UN Denies Priority to Baruch Plan

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DAVIS RAPS LANDLORDS AT HARLEM FIRE MEET

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Rob F. Hall, head of the Daily Worker's Washington Bureau, will cover the Arnall-Talmadge fight in Georgia. Make sure you and your friends see his dispatches.

WORLD EVENTS

UN Denies Priority to Baruch Atom Plan in Disarmament Talks

By Joseph Clark

LAKE SUCCESS, Jan. 15.—U.S. delegate Warren Austin proposed today that the United Nations Security Council postpone all discussion of disarmament until Feb. 4. "I'm just a freshman here," Austin said, adding that the new Secretary of State will also need more time before

deciding to support the establishment of a commission to carry out the unanimous disarmament decision of the General Assembly. In the Security Council discussions, the delegates of Australia, France, China, Belgium, Poland, Columbia and Brazil all supported the Soviet proposal to establish a commission to implement the Assembly resolution. These countries also favored simultaneous action on the general disarmament question and on atomic energy.

Previously the U. S. delegation had presented an ultimatum to the Security Council: accept the Baruch atomic energy plan or we won't discuss disarmament.

As a result, not a single other nation on the Security Council supported the U.S. delegation's stand.

URGES ACTION NOW

Poland's Oscar Lange said action was needed now on disarmament and "to hell with all high power politics."

He pointed out that in carrying out the General Assembly disarmament resolution the Security Council did not have to delay on disarmament. Let us set up the disarmament commission now, he added, and if the gentlemen so de-

sire, let's meet at 7 in the morning to take up the report of the atomic energy commission.

Soviet delegate Andre Gromyko reminded the Council:

"The resolution of the General Assembly of the 14th of December, 1946, obliges us, the Security Council, to undertake an urgent consideration of both questions... the regulation and reduction of armaments and armed forces, and... the prohibition of atomic weapons and the establishment of international control of atomic energy."

Addressing himself to the U.S. delegation's contention that taking up disarmament would delay action on atomic control, Gromyko stated: "since no one proposes such delay... we... state to our American colleagues that they are pushing at a door which is already open."

Gromyko said that as soon as the atomic discussion came up he would again put forward the Soviet proposal for a convention "for the prohibition of atomic and other weap-

ons of mass destruction."

Austin's plea for delay today was in contrast to Bernard Baruch's previous insistence for immediate action on his atomic control plan. It became apparent from the statements of the U. S. delegation that the next couple of weeks will see some top level discussion of foreign policy in Washington.

Norman J. O. Makin of Australia presented a resolution earlier in the day "in an attempt to combine both

the U.S. and the Soviet viewpoint."

This resolution was similar to the French and supported simultaneous action on disarmament and atomic energy control.

China's Quo Tai-chi said the Russian and American positions "can be complementary."

Herschel Johnson, who took over as the American spokesman when Sen. Austin had to leave for a speaking engagement in Chicago, repeated that the U. S. was "not prepared

now to enter into substantive discussions or participate in committees to take them up."

Gromyko took the floor again to explain that the Soviet's position did not seek to give priority to one or another phase of the disarmament question.

Action on the U. S. motion to postpone consideration of disarmament until Feb. 4 was put off until the next council meeting Friday at 11 a.m.

How British Employers Provoked Truck Strike

Wireless to the Daily Worker

LONDON, Jan. 15.—More than 50,000 men are now involved in Britain's great and unofficial strike which is daily gathering strength as section after section of workers decide to come out in support of London's truck drivers.

All through the dispute the employers, the real culprits, have got away almost unmentioned. Their chief aim is to turn the strike movement against the Labor Government

and to split the Transport and General Workers Union.

The Ministry of Labor has issued a statement that it will not recognize any settlement made while the men are out on strike, and thus must take responsibility for prolongation and extension of the dispute.

Introduction of troops into the dispute has obscured the immediate issues which led to the strike—demands of the truck drivers for a 44 hour week and eight hour pay, 12 days vacation with pay and an end to the cumulative overtime system.

For nine months these workers in the transport industry patiently awaited results from their applications for better conditions. Then they were presented with a hopelessly inadequate award by the government's Wages Board.

Jan. 6, beginning in London,

Chou En-lai Asks Marshall Follow Roosevelt Path

Communist Gen. Chou En-lai has asked Gen. George C. Marshall in his new capacity as Secretary of State to "reexamine" U. S. policy in China "in the light of Franklin Delano Roosevelt's policy."

Chou spoke Jan. 1 at Yenan. Half his speech was broadcast by Yenan Radio Tuesday night and the remainder last night.

"Gen. Marshall expressed bitterness about Communist propaganda," Chou said, "but this propaganda was true. Since last March, the Communist Party incessantly exposed the mistakes of the changing U. S. policy in China."

"It ceaselessly exposed and protested against stationing of American troops in China, American intervention in Chinese affairs and penetration into liberated areas."

5,000 of them stopped work. They were speedily joined by transport drivers everywhere.

PARAGUAY COMMUNISTS OUTLAWED

The Communist Party of Paraguay was outlawed yesterday as President Higinio Morinigo accelerated a new phase of his dictatorial policy.

Two days ago, Morinigo imposed a 30-day state of siege and reorganized his government, on the excuse that the Communists were planning an uprising. A decree of April 7, 1936, which declares Communist activity punishable by law, was reinstated by the Paraguayan dictator.

On June 9, 1946, Morinigo was compelled to modify his dictatorship as a result of popular response to the overthrow of the Villoriel government in Bolivia. Fearing the people would take revenge upon him, as the Bolivians did to Villoriel, the Paraguayan dictator formed a mixed civilian-military cabinet and eliminated the most terroristic elements from his regime.

During the last six months, the most reactionary militarist elements,

working among the Colorado Party, steadily increased their pressure on the democratic forces. An attempted coup d'etat on Dec. 12, 1946, was scotched by mass demonstrations in Asuncion, the capital of Paraguay.

In the last few days, Morinigo evidently decided that his experiment with democracy was becoming too dangerous.

(For background on the Paraguay situation, direct from Buenos Aires, see tomorrow's Daily Worker.)

BRAZILIAN DIARY IV

Communists Move Toward National Leadership

By Joseph Starobin

RIO DE JANEIRO.

There are three good words to describe the political line of the Brazilian Communists today—audacious, national, flexible.

Though they are amazed at their own successes of the last year and a half, they consider that they are still behind the mass movement of their people. They have great victories to their credit; Brazil's participation in the war, the dissolution of the dictatorship, amnesty for political prisoners, the constitution, the formation of a trade union movement despite the intervention of the ministry of labor, their own growth as a party. They are proud of all this. But they consider that Brazil needs much more.

They believe that the other political parties are helpless in the face of Brazil's profound post-war economic crisis. They consider the other parties as unstable combinations of politicians. They see in their own tremendous prestige among the masses the possibility of building the only real peoples party of Brazil.

And they are confident that if

they should consolidate their own strength, maintain their own political independence the time will come—sooner than later—when they shall be called to take a hand in the government itself. So their line is one of great audacity.

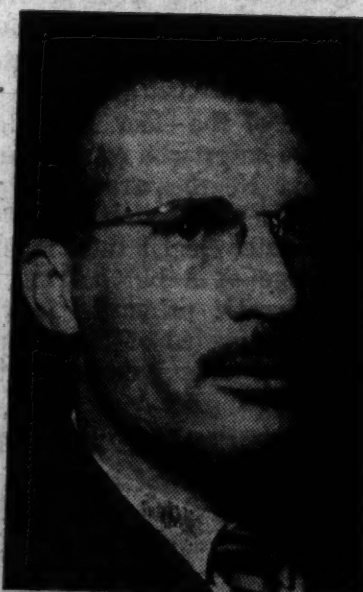
It is a political line in the interests of Brazil's problems, and Brazil's future. Of course, the reactionary press does not hesitate to say that the Communists are agents of a foreign power. That canard appears every day in the press.

One afternoon at the Chamber of Deputies I heard a Catholic representative insult Prestes, calling him a "killer," and an "agent of Moscow."

It was in connection with the incident in the USSR where a second secretary of the Brazilian embassy got drunk and had his nose pushed in by some Soviet passerby.

The Communist bench did not take part in the debate on the incident itself: that was a matter for the Brazilian Foreign Office and the Soviet embassy.

Jorge Amado intervened sharp-



CARLOS MARICHELLA
Leader of Communist Delegation
in Brazilian Chamber

ly, however, against the insult to a Senator of the republic, Luis Carlos Prestes. The Communists make it clear at every opportunity that only Brazil, and Brazil's interests determine their political line.

The Communists ask: Who defended Brazil against the Nazi conspiracy, the infiltration of German agents in the police, the importation of hundreds of thousands of Japanese to the interior?

They ask: Who helped found the Brazilian Expeditionary Force which fought so heroically at Monte Cassino? Who helped win democratic government? Who called for the Constituent Assembly? Who warns against the intrigues of the U.S. State Department, which attempts to create bad feeling between Brazil and Argentina?

"Defend our country?" asks Prestes. "Yes, in any war for the just interests of Brazil. Any other war would be reactionary, imperialistic..." In this way the Communists stress the national character of their political line.

And by their "minimum program" to develop Brazil's economy against the inroads of imperialism they stand out as the hope, not only of the people, but large sections of Brazilian business men. Prestes told me that he has increasing contact with the progressive sections of Brazilian

industrialists who feel that the Communists offer the only hope of saving and expanding the national economy.

And their line is flexible to the utmost. There are three other main parties in the country. The first is the government party of president Eurico Gaspar Dutra, the Partido Social Democratico, and it has a majority in both houses.

The second is the Union Democratico Nacional, led mainly by an old politician, Octavio Mangabeira. The third is Getulio Vargas' Partido Trabalhista, or the Labor Party.

The Communists have only 14 seats in the Chamber out of 288, and only one Senator out of 42. But in the state politics (Brazil has 21 states) the Communists are the only really organized force.

The other parties are divided among personalities. For example, in the important state of Sao Paulo, the leader of the Trabalhistas is Hugo Borghi. He is at odds with Getulio, and similar di-

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LABOR and the NATION

FTA Convention Raps NLRB For Anti-CIO Bias

By Walter Lowenfels

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 15.—The National Labor Relations Board was charged with increased hostility to the CIO and partiality to employers and their agents masquerading as unions. The charge was made at today's session of the CIO Food and Tobacco Workers National Convention.

NLRB rulings against the FTA and for what the union called the "employer-dominated AFL teamsters" in the 1945 and 1946 California cannery elections were cited.

These facts, which have been recognized publicly by the national CIO, and protested by President Philip Murray and by FTA, show that the members of the NLRB have little regard for their oath of office and the act they swore to uphold.

The convention demanded the NLRB live up to its oath to administer the National Labor Relations Act without prejudice.

Union officials pledged an undiminished fight with the help of the CIO to free 60,000 cannery workers from AFL-company union bondage.

FIGHT HOTEL JIMCROW

The 180 delegates, representing 102,000 members from the deep South to Alaska, and all colors and language groups, took strong action today against Jimcrow in local hotels and restaurants. The Benjamin Franklin Hotel, which was under fire last fall for Jimcrowing the intercollegiate track meet, will be picketed.

White union members, whom the hotel accepted while throwing out Negroes and Filipinos after one night, are all leaving there tonight. In addition, the Governor and the Mayor have been asked to enforce the State's equal rights law. Mrs. Sadie Alexander, a local member of President Truman's national anti-discrimination committee, is being asked to intercede.

Twelve speakers took the floor to discuss the need for a more determined fight for equal wages and rights for women in the food and tobacco industry and in the union. Another discussion centered around the 10th anniversary which the union is now celebrating.

Speakers included Owen Whitfield from Missouri, who pointed out that he was the first Negro vice-president in the union and President Donald Henderson who pledged a renewed fight in behalf of the farm workers and sharecroppers in the deep South.

Pepper Blasts Vandenberg's Support Of Chiang Kai-shek and Peron

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Sen. Claude Pepper (D-Fla.) today strongly criticized Sen. Vandenberg's speech Saturday night supporting the Chiang Kai-shek and Peron governments in China and Argentina respectively. Noting that Vandenberg is the leading Republican spokesman on foreign policy and chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Pepper said:

CIO Fur Group Saw Full Liberty In Poland Visit

ATLANTIC CITY, Jan. 15.—People of various political beliefs in Poland have full freedom of expression in Poland, a delegation of six leaders of the CIO International Fur and Leather Workers Union, unanimously reported today to their International Executive Board. The delegation found no "iron curtain" in any of the seven European countries it visited.

The board's session today at the Hotel St. Charles presided over by president Ben Gold, was devoted to the delegation's report.

A total of \$60,000 was disbursed by the delegation for rehabilitation and relief of the working people of Europe, particularly the Jewish people. The delegation returned to this country Jan. 1 after a two month trip through France, Belgium, Italy, Poland, Hungary, Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia. Members of the delegation were Pietro Lucchi, Joseph Burt, Abe Winogradsky, Samuel Burt, Abe Feinglass, Samuel Mindel and Harold Goldstein.

Green Tells AFL Unions to Drop Portal Pay Suits

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—AFL President William F. Green moved tonight to withdraw all AFL unions from the court fights launched by CIO unions to collect portal-to-portal pay claims.

Green recommended formally that all AFL affiliates get out of the courts and settle portal claims over the bargaining table.

His statement was sent to all 107 unions in the AFL.

The union-busting drive of the 80th Congress must be stopped—Come to the Lenin Memorial Meeting.

"For my part I don't wish to commit American support to Chinese reactionaries," Pepper declared. "Everybody in the American Congress is not going to give support to the corrupt, feudal, reactionary backward elements in China."

He contrasted Vandenberg's demands for greater support to Chiang Kai-shek with Sen. George Marshall's report urging a new regime made up of liberals, minority parties and Chiang.

Pepper called the Senate's attention to a similar divergence of opinion between Vandenberg and government officials on Argentina. While former Secretary of State James Byrnes announced the U. S. would not deal with Argentina be-

cause of failure to comply with the Chapultepec Agreements, Vandenberg urged collaboration with the Peron government.

The U. S. government should not "embrace the Argentine before it has proven its disassociation with Nazism," Pepper said.

It is not helpful to have the Senate Foreign Relations chairman speak on a subject—Argentina—before the new Secretary of State has spoken, Pepper asserted, because it makes for confusion and gives the world wrong impressions.

"We wouldn't want the world to have the impression we are lining up with reactionary, corrupt, feudal and sometimes fascist elements," Pepper concluded.

N. Y. Dems Demand Swift State Probe of Butter Price-Fix

The Democratic minority in Albany yesterday demanded an immediate legislative investigation of efforts to "fix" the price of butter.

The proposal, made by Sen. Sidney A. Fine of the Bronx and Assemblyman Lawrence P. Murphy of Brooklyn, was aimed at Henry H. Rathbun, president of the Dairymen's League Cooperative Association, Inc. who is a pal of Governor Dewey and four of Rathbun's associates.

They were arraigned Monday before Federal Judge Cox and face a

possible \$10,000 fine and a year's imprisonment if convicted on charges of violating the Commodities Exchange Act.

Rathbun and his associates, according to U. S. Attorney McGohey, directed the N. Y. Mercantile Exchange to buy up all Grade A butter offered at not less than 84 cents a pound wholesale. McGohey said that within a week the Dairymen's League had spent about \$600,000 and cornered about 97 percent of the market.

Powell on House Labor, Education Committee

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Two New Yorkers, representatives Adam Clayton Powell and Arthur G. Klein, were among the 10 Democrats assigned by the party caucus to the House committee on education and labor today. This committee, which includes 15 Republicans, is due to act on a large number of repressive labor bills.

Remaining New York Democrats were assigned as follows:

James J. Heffernan to Armed Services; Donald L. O'Toole to banking and currency; John J. Delaney to expenditures in executive departments; Sol Bloom and Joseph L. Pfeiffer to Foreign Affairs; Benjamin J. Rabin to Interstate and Foreign Commerce; Emanuel Celler and William T. Byrne to Judiciary; Eugene J. Keogh and Leon F. Rayfiel to Merchant Marine and Fisheries; Andrew L. Somers to Public Lands; Charles A. Buckley to Public Works.

The Democratic caucus refused to assign Rep. Vito Marcantonio (ALP-NY) to any committee, contending that as an independent he must look to the majority party for an assignment. The Republicans passed the buck because Marcantonio was elected with the Democratic party nomination as well as that of ALP.

Senate Labor Bills Hearing Jan. 23

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—The Senate committee on labor and public welfare will begin hearings Jan. 23 on labor legislation and the most important bills should reach the

Senate floor soon after March 1, chairman Robert A. Taft (R-O) said today. Taft made the announcement at the close of the first formal meeting of the committee at which organization of the body was completed.

At the top of the committee's list, Taft said, are S. 55, the new version of the Case Bill introduced by Taft, Joseph Ball (R-Minn.) and Alexander Smith (R-NJ), and Senate joint resolution 22, introduced by James Murray (D-Mont.) and eight other pro-labor Senators. The latter measure provides for a commission, in line with President Truman's proposal, to make a study of labor-management relations.

The subject of the hearings, however, will not be confined to these two bills. They will hear testimony on all other measures referred to the committee "with the objective of reducing industrial strife in the U. S.," Taft said.

"This will include all bills dealing with the organization and responsibilities of labor unions; proposals for labor courts and compulsory arbitration; proposals for mediation and conciliation; proposals in-

volving the closed shop and nationwide bargaining, and bills amending the National Labor Relations Act," Taft declared.

MAP "QUICKIE" HEARINGS

Indicative of the Republicans' plan to rush hearings and speed enactment of anti-labor legislation, Taft stressed that it would be "necessary to limit strictly the time of those appearing before the committee."

The rules of the committee re-

quire each witness to submit his testimony in a concise form, he said, and if the regulations of the reorganization act are applied, each witness must file a copy of his testimony in advance. Oral testimony will be confined to a brief summary and to answering questions, he said.

Those who apply to the committee for permission to appear must state in advance what proposals they wish to discuss and whether they support or oppose the proposals, according to Taft.

Hearings will be held all day on Tuesdays and Thursdays and during the morning on Wednesdays and Fridays.

PORTAL PAY WILL BANKRUPT BUSINESS, SENATORS SOB

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—Sponsors of bills to outlaw portal-to-portal suits for back pay today claimed giant firms would go bankrupt if the unions won their cases in court.

Claiming the country's economic foundation was at stake, GOP Senators Homer Capehart (R-Ind.) and Alexander Wiley (R-Wis.) told a Judiciary subcommittee at its first hearing that speedy action is necessary.

Wiley advocated removing the jurisdiction of the courts to hear suits on the issue.

Capehart noted AFL opposition to the suits, which are expected to top the \$5 billion mark. Earlier he had testified workers would get an

average of \$2,000 if the suits were won.

He also contended passage of the legislation would restore collective bargaining on a sound basis.

The U. S. Treasury would suffer if the suits were won, Capehart said, because tax liability would be reduced and costs of goods and services to the government would be increased.

Both Wiley and Capehart made it clear they expected the back pay suits to be won in accord with decisions of the U. S. Supreme Court unless Congress acts.

Capehart admitted he is a manufacturer, with interests in three firms employing some 5,500 workers. Included in his testimony was a statement on the issue by an employers' group.



NATIONAL SCENE

Army's \$134 Million Oil Project for Sale

THE \$134,000,000 Canol oil project built by the U. S. Army in Canada is of no use and will be offered for sale, as surplus property, retiring Secretary of State James Byrnes said yesterday in a report to Congress.

PRESIDENT TRUMAN yesterday urged uniform motor vehicle traffic and licensing regulations be adopted by the 48 states to cut down the traffic death rate.

AT A CONFERENCE with the Committee of Civil Rights, President Truman yesterday asked the group to work out plans to prevent a revival of hate groups which "burn crosses and work

behind sheets." Truman continued sagely:

"I have been very much alarmed at certain happenings around the country that goes to show there is a latent spirit in some of us that isn't what it ought to be."

O. MAX GARDNER of North Carolina was sworn in as U. S. Ambassador to Great Britain yesterday at a State Department ceremony in Washington.

To the Purple Born

By Alan Max

European heiresses will soon be trying to marry into American royalty—main prize, of course, being the Royal House of Talmadge, now headed by Herman the First.

NEW YORK

Tammany Factions Called To Unity Parley Tomorrow

A last ditch effort to unite warring factions in Tammany Hall will be made today, it was learned yesterday at City Hall. Frank J. Sampson, leader of the southern end of Manhattan's third assembly district, is wiring 72 Tammany leaders and co-leaders to attend an emergency meeting in Room 2200 in Hotel Commodore tomorrow (Friday) at 2 p.m.

It is believed Sampson's latest maneuver was made at the behest of Mayor O'Dwyer and Paul E. Fitzpatrick, chairman of the state Democratic committee. Both these Democratic leaders, as well as Surrogate William T. Collins, committed their support to the Sampson faction on Tuesday when they authorized an announcement that the present Tammany leadership would get no further patronage from them.

That patronage included federal jobs as well, and was especially painful to the present leadership because of the lucrative patronage from the Surrogate court. The open support from the mayor came after it was definitely learned that the Sampson supporters could not overthrow the present leadership, which has Edward V. Loughlin at the top, and Clarence H. Neal and Bert Stand as the brain trust.

VOTING STRENGTH

The Sampson supporters control only 6½ votes in the executive committee; the Loughlin-Neal-Stand forces have 17 votes.

The Sampson telegrams are being dispatched in the name of a group of west side leaders, but it is known that Sampson hopes to conciliate all rival groups.

Despite O'Dwyer's avowed support of Sampson, there is a feeling he is reluctant to force an irre-

vocable split with the Loughlin leadership. Some observers pointed to the attendance of J. Raymond Jones of the 13th A. D. in Harlem at a meeting of Sampson's insurgent group Tuesday. It was at this

State Bldg. Pickets Rap Dewey Today

State employees will stage a mass picket line today (Thursday) at 6 p.m. in protest against Gov. Dewey's failure to provide for wage increases. The picket line will be at the State Office Building, 80 Centre St., it was announced yesterday by State Employees Union Local 2899, CIO United Public Workers of America.

Terry Robinson, union organizer, claimed that Gov. Dewey's statement, in his legislative message of January 8, that State employees are now well paid is "an absurd distortion of the true picture."

"State employees" Miss Robinson said, "average \$43 per week or \$8 per week less than the average worker in manufacturing industries in New York State. The beginning salaries for clerks in State service is \$1,560 per year as compared with entry clerical rates of \$1,920 paid by the City of New York and \$1,756 paid by the Federal Government. Governor Dewey's yardstick for measuring the 'fine' pay of State employees makes no sense to us. The truth is that State employees always have been, and especially today, with soaring prices, outrageously underpaid."

Strauss Workers Win Strike

A monthlong strike at Strauss Store Corp. ended yesterday when the more than 200 employees went back to work under a new contract calling for a boost in wages and a slash in working hours.

The new agreement, covering the company's 45 stores and a warehouse in New York vicinity, will give store employees a 44-hour week and an average weekly increase of \$5. Warehouse workers will work 40 hours and get an average weekly pay boost of \$4.

The company agreed to reinstate all strikers without discrimination.

meeting that the group announced formation of a new Democratic organization.

Jones, who was named by the mayor as deputy commissioner of housing and building, has been playing a progressive role in Harlem and is known to be friendly to the Marcantonio forces.

Loughlin has been a strong supporter of Marcantonio in recent inner-electoral nominating battles. There is a possibility that a new county leadership having the majority support of Tammany's executive committee may be named at tomorrow's meeting.



Bluer Than the Blue-Prints: Ex-GIs living today in converted Staten Island barracks find them a far cry from those pretty plans which Governor Dewey, as shown in this picture, demonstrated to reporters months ago. The vets and their families in the Fox Hills, Staten Island project are blue about the makeshift flats, which take their toll in illness and inconveniences.

Vets' Home, Sweet Headache In Fox Hills Housing Project

By Louise Mitchell

When the veterans' families moved into the emergency housing barracks at Fox Hills, Staten Island, last Spring they didn't expect paradise but neither did they anticipate puddles at the front door. Three women sat in the living room of a two-room apartment at

protection."

The barracks still haven't been winterized.

"The puddles get so deep, some of them never dry," said another mother. "They get stagnant and the kids play in them. The garbage is exposed right where our children play."

There are no pavements and except for some gravel walks the place is marshy.

A playground was to have been built but the project got a parking lot "because it was cheaper."

ROOMS OVERCROWDED

Preferential treatment of some tenants also got the women down.

"My family of five lives in two rooms," asserted the mother of the three-month-old infant, "and

there are some who have one child but live in three rooms. There should be one rule for everyone."

The clothes and dish cupboards lack doors and hangings are the only protection against dust. No apartments have baths, only showers, which makes bathing of children difficult.

Maybe one of the most annoying things for adults, in addition to the substantial fare to work, the lack of closet space, the inequity of rentals and the overcrowded schools, is the lack of facilities for recreation and shopping.

"We just got a super-market for groceries but other shopping facilities are still poor," the mother declared.

REGISTER TODAY AND ENTER CLASS

7:00 P.M.—Main Currents in Jewish History.....Rabbi H. Pollack
National Question and the Jewish People.....Abe Boxerman
Great Jewish Philosophers.....Dr. Max Wiener

8:30 P.M.—The Bible: A Social Analysis.....Rabbi H. Pollack

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Rent Control Meet To Feature Wagner

Robert Wagner, Jr., newly appointed Commissioner of Housing and Buildings, will be the feature speaker at a conference on rent control tonight (Thursday) at the Wendell Willkie Memorial, 20 W. 40 St.

The meeting sponsored by the Emergency Committee on Rent and Housing will also hear Paul Ross, assistant to the Mayor; Judge Arthur P. McNulty, Justice of the Municipal Court; and Anna Berenson, Washington housing representative of the CIO Housing Committee.

Judge McNulty will discuss eviction procedures.

\$1,000,000 Business Construction OK'd

More than a million dollars worth of non-housing construction was okayed by the New York District of the Civilian Production Administration "in accordance with the Veterans Housing Program."

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GOVERNMENT CAFETERIA strike ended after eight days when Government Services, Inc., and the CIO United Cafeteria Employees agreed to arbitration. Strikers numbered 2,300.

TEXAS LEADING CIO's Dixie organizing drive with 49 NLRB election victories since the beginning of the campaign.

PLAIN ENGLISH in union contracts is advocated by Dr. Rudolf Flesch who teaches at New York University and is an authority on "readability."

AFL GROCERY CLERKS ended their 11-day strike in Los Angeles with a \$15 a week raise. The strikers defied an ultimatum on Jan. 3 from Dave Beck, presi-

dent of the AFL Western Conference of Teamsters, to end the walkout.

\$8,000 WEEKLY or better was what Thomas J. Wason, president of International Business Machines Corp., drew as salary, according to U.S. Treasury report.

FIRST RUBBER CONTRACT on company-wide basis for 1947 has been signed between the U.S. Rubber Co. and the CIO Rubber Workers.

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Antarctic Diary of Rescued Skipper

The following is a summary of the diary kept by Capt. Henry Caldwell, skipper of the seaplane tender Pine Island and a passenger on the Navy plane which crashed in the Antarctic.

By Capt. Henry Caldwell

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ABOARD USS PINE ISLAND OFF ANTARCTIC COAST. Jan. 14 (UP).—

Monday, Dec. 30.—First desires were for getting the living injured under cover. They were in the section of the plane without sides. We put the parachute silk over the opening. About 2 p.m. the first day had emergency radio transmitter and kite antenna up and were sending SOS in daze throughout. Later exhausted physically and mentally, the injured slept in shelter. No interest in food and while exposed to cold they had no energy to improve their lot.

Dec. 31.—Snow storm continued. Moved all of the men to

after section of hull tunnel which was exposed. Found emergency gas stoves but fuel had been destroyed. Found two waterbreakers filled. Looked over food collection and found canned items frozen solid except for fruit and vegetables which didn't contain much juice.

CHEERED THE MEN

JAN. 1.—Watch continued running throughout and was trusted as true.

Radioman James H. Robbins and Machinists Mate William F. Warr with injured side, performed many comforting chores. "If we survive it will be largely due to his (Robbin's) ingenuity, practical knowledge, care for wounded and general happy and cheerful personality." Later in day wind died, skies cleared, hoped soared, weather warmed up. McCarthy began telling stories and group felt confident of rescue soon because of conspicuousness of crash against white background.

JAMES H. ROBBINS, who helped keep up survivors' morale.

Jan. 2.—With clear windless day and good spirits all but (Lt. William H.) Kearns and (Lt. Ralph P.) Leblanc went out to looksee and work. Robbie (Robbins) tapped gasoline tank. With gasoline, two stoves and endless snow and ice, water supply assured.

BREAKFAST IN BED

Jan. 3.—All six of the men within hands' reach of stove had "breakfast in bed," tomato juice,

alice of bread, and fried bacon, a wonderful treat. No solid food for Leblanc however. Caulwell was self-appointed water tender which involved melting snow and ice, a slow monotonous process but necessary to keep the water breakers filled. Best weather yet and men optimistic.

Jan. 4.—Clear weather, temperature higher. Kearns and Leblanc tidied up the campsite. Men felt they had made all preparations for attracting arrival of rescuers after McCarthy by direction of Captain Caldwell had painted names of dead on wing. Kearns and Leblanc improved steadily.

Jan. 5.—Morning inventory of supplies found enough canned food from flight rations to last another week.

About noon buried the dead and planted flag with message in tube over spot. Already Capt. Caulwell had formed in his mind the letters he will write to the next of kin of three dead.

Jan. 6.—No flying weather. Not

much done except by Robbins and Warr on makeshift radio receiver.

GAMES PASSED TIME

Jan. 7.—Still bad weather. Caulwell beat McCarthy in the pencil paper game "Salvo" but McCarthy beat Caldwell in home made checkers.

Jan. 8.—Light snow. Two sick pilots improving some.

Jan. 9.—Good weather. Saw mountains clearly and in walk around noticed that area was splendid for skiplane landing. "Am positive that when we get rescued it will be from this spot because none of us is in any condition for long hike."

Jan. 10.—Overcast in morning but Caulwell noticed rift of blue on southern horizon. In two hours the whole sky was clear and ceiling and visibility unlimited. Prospects look good. "Turned in this evening with highest spirits to date."

Jan. 11.—The men sighted the rescue plane and the rescue began.

Pitt. CIO Backs Murray Unity Call

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 15. — The Steel City CIO Council, acting for its 175,000 members, unanimously endorsed a resolution backing CIO President Philip Murray's call for AFL-CIO-Railroad Brotherhoods united action against reactionary attacks.

The resolution, providing also for the establishment of a Labor Unity Committee to further united action on a community scale, was introduced by delegates of the Homestead Local of the United Steel Workers.

"Not years, not months but the next days may well decide whether unions will live and grow together or whether they will go down separately," declared the adopted resolution.

"Unity and concerted action of all labor and all progressives as proposed by President Murray can halt the offensive of the hate labor gang."

FRISCO WAREHOUSEMEN wages have been boosted another 12½ cents an hour as a result of reopening negotiations conducted by the CIO International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union Local 6. The boost brought total increases since V-J Day to 31 cents an hour.

Tennessee Mob Attacks Workers' Rights, Says ACW

A reign of terror and mob violence in Bruceton, Tenn., was charged yesterday by the CIO Amalgamated Clothing Workers in the forcible expulsion of two women organizers from the town by a group of 150 men.

The two women victims were Miss Eula McGill of Birmingham, Ala., and Miss Mary Morgan of Knoxville, Tenn., Amalgamated organizers, assigned to union activities at the Henry I. Siegel shirt plant at Bruceton. The women were warned to leave town before noon Tuesday, following the arrest of 20 union women workers and three men on what the ACW termed "trumped-up charges of assault and battery."

The arrested union members and sympathizers were at liberty under \$250 bond each and were to appear

in city and county courts Saturday, according to UP.

Bruceton's city recorder and judge, R. D. Page, was quoted by UP as saying: "There is a strong general feeling against the CIO here."

Frank Rosenblum, ACW general secretary-treasurer, declared yesterday:

"Since the Amalgamated won a National Labor Relations Board election in the Henry I. Siegel plant at Dickson, Tenn., in February, 1943, the firm, by every subterfuge, has sought to avoid

genuine collective bargaining and continues to seek the perpetuation of sweatshop conditions in its southern plants."

"The Siegel workers at the Bruceton plant are simply revolting against intolerable conditions. Our organizers were assigned to Bruceton upon the plea of the majority of Siegel workers to help ameliorate their conditions."

POLL TAX obstacle is being fought by the AFL Central Labor Union in Chattanooga, Tenn. The body is conducting a campaign to get members to pay up their taxes in time for the March 11 city primary.

The CIO in a Southern Hamlet

By Walter Lowenfels

PHILADELPHIA Jan. 15.—I wish my southern father, who instinctively hated slavery, had heard Roy Moss and John Thomas Pease tell how the CIO is breaking some of the chains of the Negro people in their little North Carolina town.

My father, who left North Carolina soon after the Civil War, didn't know much about unions. But I

think he would have warmed to the story of these two Negro delegates to the Food and Tobacco Workers Union convention from a leaf tobacco plant in Oxford, N. C.

Oxford is one of thousands of little Southern towns of 4,000 people or less, where the cops and factory bosses pushed the voteless Negroes around and no colored man was safe from lynching.

Roy Moss can still remember the three Negroes swaying from the gnarled branch of the old oak tree in front the Export company's leaf tobacco plant.

That was just 23 years ago in the third year of President Harding's Republican administration.

A LIBERATOR CAME

It was hard to be colored in Oxford and see foremen taking advantage of women, and workers thrown out to starve at the whim of the boss man.

Then a liberator came. The CIO Furniture Workers Union won a plant election in the little Oxford furniture plant. And a young worker named John Thomas Pease had a story to tell when he transferred to one of the town's four leaf tobacco plants.

As the underpaid workers were drying, stemming and storing the tobacco Pease was telling them about the new feeling one got in a CIO plant, the feeling of job security that made a man feel like a man.

The FTA drive went so fast the boss never knew what had happened until it was too late.

"We met in secret at first," said John Pease. "Just Roy Moss and myself and four other workers, whom we could trust, and the CIO organizer. We met in the living room of a good tobacco plant brother and said what we were go-

ing to do.

"It wasn't just wages we wanted, but freedom."

WINNING THE FIGHT

The boss woke up a month later when more than 100 workers openly joined the union at a meeting of 200-300 in a Baptist Church, with Robert Latham, FTA organizer, one of the speakers.

That was just before the season got well under way at the end of last summer. The boss tried to break the union by barring some leaders at the gate. But that move was beaten when the workers told him the plant wouldn't run if the union members didn't get back. And the bosses began furnishing soap and clean toilets for the first time when union workers refused to take No for an answer.

Union agreements eventually followed in the three largest leaf plant.

Now the season is nearing its end and the workers will have to get what work they can in fields and factories till the tobacco is harvested again. But the air they breathe is freer than it was last year.

But not yet really free. The curse of Jimcrow still remains. And Jimcrow's memory was still oppressing Roy Moss as we entered a Chestnut St. cafeteria with his friend Frank Green, the FTA's regional director for the two Carolinas.

"You know," said Roy Moss, "this is the first time I have ever had a chance to eat a meal with my white union brothers in a public restaurant. It just doesn't seem true. I felt that someone was going to catch me by the coat tails and pull me back as I came through the door. I couldn't help feeling that someone would stop me."

NEW LABOR SERVICE has been started by "Labor Films," which is making documentary sound films on union subjects. Located at Berkeley, Calif., the group's first release is a 14-minute picture on the Redwood lumber dispute, California's longest strike.

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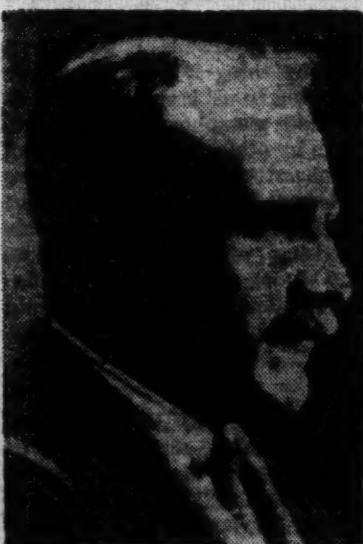
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MADISON SQUARE GARDEN

Change the World

Red-Baiting Leads to Fascism As a Kolchakite Once Found

By Mike Gold

ANYONE WANTING TO PAINT a rounded picture of the epoch we live in would have to include a full-size sketch of the Menshevik. This type, of course, first appeared in its foggy, windbag, poisonous splendor during the events of World War One.

In Germany this character had developed the biggest Socialist Party in the world. When the test came, he led it into the Kaiser's army, hurrahing for the Fatherland.

In Russia the same phony fought for the Czar. He joined up with Kerensky when the Czarism became too rotten. "Democracy, democracy!" he shrieked when the Bolsheviks appeared, "you are betraying our allies, you are betraying democracy!"

So he joined Kolchak, Denikin, Semenov and other Czarist generals fighting the peasants and workers of Russia. He sold out his country to Japanese imperialists, to British, French and other capitalist invaders, still shouting for "democracy!" all the way.

He was against the Communists. That was his platform. What treason to labor and mass-murder of the people he caused under that banner!

I HAVE BEEN reading again a curious autobiography written around 1926 by a German soldier and "liberal" who had been a war prisoner in Siberia. He joined the Czarist forces under Gen. Kolchak, and fought with British and French arms for the restoration of the Czar.

This author, Erich Dwinger, had his book published here by Scribner's in 1932, under the title, *Between White and Red*.

He tells how beastly Gen. Semenov and his beastly officers used to shoot their prisoners, including women and children, in a sort of special rifle range. The people were chased down a long lane past a wall over which the officers took shots at them, amid laughter, groans, screams and vodka-drinking.

Petrov, a Cossack officer in Dwinger's regiment, used to strangle prisoners with his bare hands. He begged for the pleasure, a peculiar gleam in his eye. "I just manage to see how Petrov throws himself on the prisoner. Then I press my fingers in my ears!"

"Murder everywhere, nothing but murder!" says the sensitive Kolchak liberal. He tells of Semenov's armored trains. "I once had to clean one of them. . . . They were practically equipped, like old-fashioned torture chambers in museums. . . . Long benches everywhere for tying up the prisoners. . . . When captured, they are stripped naked, the women, too. . . . and flogged with a whip to whose tails bullets are tied. . . . From 20 to 50 lashes is the usual treatment. . . . even at the third one lumps of flesh are torn from the body. . . ."

"WHEN A PRISONER faints with pain cold water is thrown

on him or her. . . . The thing begins all over again. . . . Many perished. . . . The floor is covered with boards—they have rills in them, for blood to flow into drains leading underneath. . . ."

"When such a train is in motion—Semenov had six or seven of them. . . . there is a constant stream of blood running from the outlets. . . . the tracks around his Chita headquarters show a broad black streak on each side. . . . the crusted blood from these trains."

But Ilya, the Menshevik, also fighting in this army, under such generals, still spouts his high-sounding words. He is an "idealistic," a "democrat," and the Communists are "materialists" and without soul or democratic instinct, he says.

"How can one smile on such a hopeless situation?" Ilya said. "Bolshevism is spreading more and more every day—and no one on earth realizes its danger, because it is considered a purely Russian problem. . . ."

"But it is a world problem, it is in the air, it can be met only by firm resistance of all classes." By the stranglers and Semenovs, eh?

"Was there ever anything like it?" cried Petrov, the strangler, rapist and looter. "We Whites are fighting on behalf of the bourgeoisie of the whole world, but none recognize it, or will help us. They leave us to perish in our misery."

THIS WAS the time when the Russian peasants began to form guerilla bands to wipe out the Czarist rapists and butchers. Whole regiments were also revolting within the White armies. Now Ilya the Menshevik, as well as Petrov, had begun to talk sadly, like martyrs for a cause, very spiritual, indeed.

Ilya the Menshevik believed that Germany should not be punished by the Versailles Treaty. Back there in 1919 he was already the appeaser and Munichite.

"Brother, isn't it heartbreaking?" he said. "All over the world they are squabbling, ruining you Germans by their reparations demand—instead of aiming to create a healthy bloc in Europe that could resist Bolshevism. . . ."

He would not be assuaged, this Ilya the Menshevik. He walked away, sobbing. Well might he sob, for he had spent years of agony and suffered wounds and horror to bring Russia back to the Petrov beasts and torturers.

Liberals and Socialists of the United States whose one obsession is to fight Communists, whose principal activity now is red-baiting, might do well also to ask themselves where such politics inevitably lead.

Today it is words, it is twisted logic. Splits in the labor movement, disorder in the ranks of progressive forces may not seem serious. Tomorrow it is American fascism, however, the triumph of the killers of Jews, liberals and trade unionists, the Kolchaks, Semenovs and Bilbos.



Champ Makes Comeback: Barney Ross, former world's lightweight and welterweight champ, arrives in Chicago after flight from Lexington, Ky., where he kayed the drug habit that caught him after fighting on Guadalcanal. Ross, now 37, has an advertising job awaiting him.

THE PORTAL PAY ISSUE

By John Williamson

THE AFL METAL TRADES Department, through its spokesman, the long-time reactionary John P. Frey, has spoken out in condemnation of the workers and trade

unions who are striving to recover, through "portal-to-portal" court suits, money never paid them by employers for time spent incidental to their work on the employer's property.

This action of Frey and his associates is in line with the reactionary attitude of the leaders of the last AFL Convention, in condemning the CIO unions for fighting for an 18½ cents increase in wages and their emphasis that increased productivity and not higher wages should be the concern of labor. It is these actions of such AFL leaders as Frey, Charles McGowan of the Boiler-makers and Harry C. Bates of the Bricklayers, etc., that bring "dishonor" on the American labor movement, and not the "portal to portal" demands of the CIO trade unions.

Frey speaks of the trade union movement having "no assets more valuable than its agreements with its employers. . . ." It would be well for the 7,000,000 AFL members, who are little different than the millions of CIO members in their thinking, their wishes and their determination to struggle when given leadership, to make known to Frey and his associates that the single greatest asset of the trade union movement is its membership and their welfare and its exclusive role is to further the interests of that membership against the employers—whose main interest is to worsen wages and conditions and pile up greater profits as a consequence.

The workers' "portal-to-portal" legal suits for recovery of money not paid to them by the employers, has nothing to do with violation or "dishonoring" of contracts as claimed by Mr. Frey. Nor is it an effort "to secure a form of wages which were not provided for when the existing contracts were negotiated," although that would not be a crime.

THE "PORTAL-TO-PORTAL" demand of the workers is in the form of adjustment of a grievance, which the trade union leaders did not think about when negotiating the contracts. The legal suits call for adjustment of these grievances on the basis of the hourly rates set forth in the existing contracts plus the other penalties imposed under the Wages and Hour Act, for its violation by employers.

The employers and all reactionaries in Congress are trying to utilize the portal to portal claims of the workers to whip up their general reactionary anti-labor hysteria. It is part of their plan to cripple the trade union movement through anti-labor legislation and to worsen labor's conditions through scuttling the inadequate protective legislation

such as the Wages and Hours Act, which were won through labor's struggle over the years.

Portal-to-portal pay is not something new. In fact, it was won through a struggle and later approved by Supreme Court decision during the past several years, by the UAW and the CIO Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers Union.

In these present legal suits, workers are merely trying to recover from the companies, wages for unpaid labor power expended incidental to their own specific job. Many companies never pay workers—although they have already entered the company property and rung the time clock or picked up their badges—for time consumed on company property on such work as sharpening tools or preparing machinery for a job; walking back and forth to or waiting in line at tool sheds; walking back and forth from gate to actual place of work; changing into or out of necessary work clothes for special types of work; roll calls or receiving instructions, and medical examinations.

CLEARLY, THESE and many similar time-consuming activities on company property required by the company should be considered a part of the overall working day and should be paid for by the employer. That is the essence of the present issue. Workers in many industries today, especially as a result of the Supreme Court decision in a Mt. Clemens, Mich., pottery firm, are determined that the precedent established in the iron and coal mining industry shall be equally applicable to them.

Clearly, these workers and their trade unions are correct. Functioning as the defenders of the workers' interests, the trade unions placing these suits, are merely demanding that the employers pay the agreed-upon wage (which we as Communists well know, still results in the worker being robbed of a portion of the wealth he produces for his employer) for time spent on company property incidental to the specific job.

Involved in this, from the view-
(Continued on Page 8)

WORTH REPEATING

Tom Paine, American revolutionary and author of *The Rights of Man*, wrote: "These are the times that try men's souls. . . . Tyranny, like hell, is not easily conquered; yet we have this consolation with us, that the harder the conflict the more glorious the triumph. What we obtain too cheaply we esteem too lightly. . . . Heaven knows how to put a price upon its goods; and it would be strange indeed if so celestial an article as freedom should not be highly rated." *The Crisis* (read to Washington's soldiers before the battle of Trenton, 1776).

Press Roundup

'Times' Prods GOP Chiefs With 'Logic'

THE TIMES warns GOP bigwigs Senators Taft and Vandenberg that whatever their differences might be on foreign economic policy—if any—they should keep in mind last month's "submit or starve" dictum of then Acting Secretary of State Dean Acheson, who warned small nations to buckle down to U. S. State Department policies or be cut off from our aid. This, the Times says, is "logical." It will be logical only when imperialist expansionism has become logical—never.

THE HERALD TRIBUNE concedes that GOP congressional committee heads "did not attain their post because of demonstrated fitness or leadership. They are there because they have been elected by their home districts with monotonous regularity." The Trib contends, though, that they are "legislators of experience and ability." It asks a "better method of selection committee chairman . . . for this creaking survival of an earlier time."

THE SUN feels that portal-to-portal pay complaints "filed in a great many instances do not convey the impression that there is much substance behind the claims." But it could have been predicted the Sun would feel that way. It charges American workers with "a desire to get in on a grab while the grabbing is good."

THE WORLD - TELEGRAM reaches back to the Battle of Midway, in June, 1942, to argue for merger of the armed forces, quoting conflicting Army and Navy reports on the battle as printed by an Army and Navy Journal. Our slogan should be, the Telly says, "One country, one team, one purpose, all for one and one for all." But, isn't that Communistic?

THE POST says of housing, "Not enough, Mr. Dewey," as it notes Dewey "failed to recommend any new state funds whatsoever for permanent housing. And, the Post points out, "He did not remind the voters that, in the next five years, we will spend six hundred million dollars of state money for highways."

FM's Max Lerner endorses the idea of broadcasting the Senate debates, as suggested by Senator Claude Pepper. " . . . it would be a healthy thing if 'the people are listening to us' became more than a stale metaphor," Lerner says. But, in attacking radio's control by advertisers, Lerner tries to give newspapers a clean bill of health: "The press also operates with advertising, yet a newspaper does not sell to an advertiser the determination of what shall go into its editorial columns or its headlines."

THE DAILY MIRROR endorses an Army-Navy merger, but prefers to call it a "single department," saying "merger" is a misnomer. It lauds the huge arms expenditures called for in the new budget.



Super-Storm Hits Super-Liner: Giant waves which battered the luxury liner America on its recent voyage from Europe to New York can be seen in this picture, taken from the vessel's deck. The violent storm and 50 foot waves delayed the ship's arrival two days.

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Murder in Harlem

LANDLORDS in New York's Harlem are getting away with murder. And we mean murder.

Fire-trap tenements, riddled with violations of fire safety laws, are becoming the tomb of innocent people.

Eight people died in Harlem in a tenement fire since the new year began. They never had a chance.

Councilman Benjamin Davis has brought the entire shameful mess up for action in the City Council. He demands an investigation of the whole tenement set-up and its inadequate fire protection.

Who owns Harlem's tenements? Secrecy hides their names.

It is clear that the slum and fire danger imposed on the people of Harlem by the greedy landlords and the neglectful city and state authorities are a danger to the security, health and welfare of all the people of this city.

We urge support to following demands:

1. Immediate homes for the fire victims and full compensation to the families of the deceased.
2. Immediate investigation of these tragedies and all other fires.
3. Immediate replacement of recently reduced fire engine companies.
4. Strict enforcement of all housing laws.
5. Complete slum clearance for Harlem.
6. Maintain Rent Control—NO RENT INCREASES.
7. Criminal prosecution of landlords guilty of violations.
8. Full support to the resolution of Councilman Davis on inadequate fire equipment.

675 Votes

HERMAN TALMADGE, son of the late "white supremacy" Governor Talmadge, says he is the new governor of the state because 675 people—yes, 675—voted for him in a write-in vote taken after his father died.

The wild scenes of stamping, whistling, roaring, banging, and even threatened violence against former Governor Arnall, who disputes Talmadge's claim, were typical of the "white supremacy" mob.

The fact is that the "white supremacy" gang believes only in its own supremacy. It despises the majority of the common white folk as much as it terrorizes the Negro people.

The effort of the young Talmadge to usurp the governorship of Georgia by sheer arrogance and bullying gives the entire country a picture of the anti-democratic violence that lies behind all racism. It is a menace not only to Georgia, but to the nation.

Crisis in Education

GOV. DEWEY is finding he cannot buy off the teachers as cheaply as he thought.

The pressure from every corner of the state, which compelled him to open the bulging state purse slightly, is continuing, if anything, with greater force.

The teachers just will not accept the \$300 pittance he is offering them, and they are letting him and the members of the State Legislature know it in no uncertain terms.

But it would be wrong to look at the problem involved simply as one of relieving the plight of the teachers. It is a lot broader than that. The entire educational system in the state is in a crisis.

Unable to make ends meet, teachers are leaving in droves and there are few replacements. The number of students who are training to become teachers has been cut drastically in the past few years.

There are three times as many uncovered classes. And a large number of those who have remained on the job are harrassed by the need to do outside work for a living.

Yet the Governor thinks he can solve this crisis with \$32,000,000, just about a sixth of the cost of the luxury highway he is planning across the state. As a prominent former Governor of the state once said, highways and bridges can wait, but not the education of a child.

It is a cinch this is not a fight for the teachers alone. It is a fight to save the school system from chaos, and we are all in on that.

KIDDIE KAR IN GEORGIA



Letters From Our Readers

Anti-Negro
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New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Walter Lief writes in the letter column of an anti-Negro pamphlet put out by the Red River Lumber Co. This was no surprise—the company made union smashing history some years ago.

Anne Louise Strong in "My Native Land" tells the whole dirty story.

BOB CLAIHOME.

Inspired to Verse

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Regarding James Allen's Boom-and-Bust series:

The Lucres will perpetuate a system far from pleasing unless you can elucidate the wisdom you're revealing. "Usable" as used by you was never used by me—(though high finance may look askance at my stupidity.

and others of your readers claim they don't need infants' mash)—Is "liquid capital" the same as I call solid cash?

I humbly plead; ragout it stew in any beanery, and terms so very clear to you leave deckhands still at sea!

SEAMAN'S WIFE.

Coops Aid Small Farmers

Glenburn, N.D.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Robert Digby in his article in the Nov. 22 Worker mentioned the NAM fight to tax cooperatives out of existence. He might have also added that the wealthy farmers are afraid of a real people's cooperative.

Big business does not look kindly on a true farmers' cooperative; for example, the Farmers Union Grain Terminal Association was the largest grain marketing agency in the United States last year, doing over \$200,000,000 worth of business and is putting to an end the parasitic control of big business in the Northwest.

The Farmers Union has the leading control of the grain market and the profits are passed back to member farmers in the form of dividends. Extend this control to other sections of the country and the small farmer will have a better chance to make a living.

GEORGE MANN.

WASHINGTON NOTES

Mrs. Hall Calls Turn On War Profit Probe

By Rob F. Hall



"IT LOOKS LIKE the Republicans are getting the jump on the Democrats again," I observed brightly as my wife came into our breakfast room. I was up betimes and had the eggs and bacon cooked, which is the only method I know of keeping oatmeal off the breakfast menu.

But my cheerfulness wasn't reciprocated. Mrs. H. scowled. "Do you know what bacon costs?" she asked.

I ignored the question and poured the coffee.

"Senator Brewster, the rock-ribbed son of Maine, is asking the Senate to continue the War Investigating Committee, and he says it will expose war profiteering," I said.

"What is this!" my wife exclaimed. "Politics for breakfast again? But tell me, do we eat alone this morning or are we breakfasting with the readers of the Daily Worker? In other words, is this bright and well-informed chatter grist for another of your omniscient columns?"

"OMNISCIENT MEANS," I began, turning to my 12-year-old son.

"I know, I know," my son interrupted. "Omniscient means you know everything."

"Or thinks he does," my wife corrected. "Since you violated the privacy of our family circle and misinformed your readers as to what goes on here, I've been afraid to face my friends. Do you have to make yourself appear so smart and me so dumb?"

"As I was saying," I began again, but somewhat timidly.

"Yes, I know," Mrs. H. said. "Brewster wants to continue the committee and several leading Democrats are opposed. To be specific, Tydings and Lucas claim that to continue this special committee is to nullify the entire reorganization act. When the Senate votes on whether or not to continue the special committee, the vote is expected to follow party lines."

"YES, MY DEAR," I said, "but in this case the GOP will be right and the Democrats wrong. Re-

member that Brewster made it clear the purpose for which he wants the committee continued—to probe war profits."

"So he says," declared my wife as she scooped up an egg. "But it's far more likely he wants it to conduct an investigation of occupation policies in Germany, along the lines of the Meader report. Hearings based on that report will have anti-Semitic and anti-Negro overtones."

"Furthermore," she added, reaching for the coffee pot, "the Republican interest in investigating war profits is to try to pin scandal on the Democratic administration. It's hard for me to believe the party of Taft and Dewey will expose the real war profiteers, like US Steel, GE, and General Motors."

"Yes, dear, I agree—" I began but she was too quick.

"And furthermore, if the progressive Democrats expect to give any leadership to the people, they should immediately get busy on this issue. The war profiteers should be investigated and prosecuted. And I don't mean the small fry like the Garssons, but the big monopolies."

"Yes dear—"

"AND FURTHERMORE THE whole field of monopolistic control ought to be investigated to show the connections some American corporations have with German, Japanese and Spanish industrialists."

"There's a bill in the Senate to prohibit participation by American firms in international cartels and to strengthen public control over monopolies," I said.

"Of course," she said, "but did a progressive Democrat introduce it? No, it was Senator Morse?"

"What you are saying, then," I suggested, "is that monopolies must be investigated, and that the GOP is taking the lead to date. But the Republican leadership cannot be trusted to do an effective job and the progressive Democrats should bestir themselves. Is that it?"

"Right," she said, rising from the table. "And I do NOT want to read all about this conversation in your DW column."

"Yes, dear," I replied meekly.

Who Will Pay for Miners' 35-Hour Week?

By Walter Lowenfels

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 15.—Like the problem of original sin, there is now an old reckoning that is going to have to be met in the coal fields: the 35-hour week is going to go to 35, and who is going to pay for that?

The lower work week is the core of the coal crisis facing the American people. The inhuman aspect of working nine hours a day, six

days a week, aches in every miner's bones, and is not entirely unfamiliar to the outsider. But the money aspect is terrific and recalls the social upheaval that accompanied the winning of the eight-hour day years ago.

The operators are also looking forward to a return to the 35-hour week—to "reduce costs."

The rest of American industry has by and large reconverted from overtime war work to 40 hours, and many steel workers would love to get even 40 hours work a week today.

NOT YET TAKEN

But the coal miners have not yet made the first step of lowering the wartime work week, which steel, electrical and other workers met last winter.

True, some mine districts have only been getting two and three days work a week due to "car shortage," according to the operators. At any rate, miners and communities in those districts have already felt the effects, in greatly reduced take-home pay, of the 35-hour week that still generally prevails.

Aside from fringe increases, portal-to-portal agreements, etc., the backbone of the wartime coal trade, which still exists today, is the overtime payments that kept

the miners living during the war, and doing a grand job for the war.

Remember always that last spring's 18½-cent increase, and health and welfare fund has not yet been accepted by the operators. But keep foremost in mind the fact that the 35-hour work week is going to go to 35, sooner or later, and who is going to foot the bill?

The arithmetic is not complicated:

Fifty-four hours pay for 35 hours work means an average increase of 67 cents an hour for 400,000 soft coal miners—\$1.85 an hour instead

of \$1.18½. And that's just to keep even with present take-home!

The operators have a solution for the seven-hour day: Take the \$488,000,000 it will cost out of the coal miners' pay! Pass laws that will pulverize the mine union! Leave it up to Uncle Truman to enforce them?

Obviously, the problem requires government help. But not the kind of government machine-guns the operators look forward to. It's going to take government help for the public good.

To dump the problem of reducing

the work week from 54 to 35 hours into the mine-owners' hands, as of March or June and back them up with a new set of union-busting laws, is likely to provoke an unparalleled crisis which no machine-gun battalions are going to solve, either for the operators, the miners, or you.

The question that faces the country is not whether there is to be "government intervention." That would appear an obvious conclusion.

The \$488,000,000 question is—government intervention for whom? For the Mellons and the Morgans and the Rockefellers—or for the miners, and for you?

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"TWO CONFERENCES OF LIBERALS: An Estimate." Alan Max, Managing Editor, Daily Worker, will discuss the recent conferences forming the "Progressive Citizens of America" and "Americans for Democratic Action." Jefferson School, 575 9th Ave. (16th St.), 8:45 p.m. 50 cents.

VILLAGE CAPERS presents Earl Jones (of "Suitcase Theatre," "The Hasty Heart" and star of "Strange Fruit") and his "new" cast. Dancing and refreshments. Proceeds towards Village Youth Club sponsored by Lower West Side Communist Party (only 50¢). Doors open 8:00 p.m.

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BRAZILIAN DIARY

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visions exist everywhere else.

The result is that in the current campaign, all the party groupings in the states are eager to know where the Communists stand. In most cases, the Communists have not proposed gubernatorial candidates and instead have concentrated on the legislatures.

While I was in Brazil, the Communists were studying each state separately. They were calculating to which faction of the other parties they would throw their support for the governorships and other local offices. Their aim is to create as many possible bonds in different states with different political groupings. For in this way (while building their own party into a well-organized force) they hope to prevent coalitions against themselves.

In every town where Prestes has traveled he has received local politicians of the different factions of the other parties, and he appeared to be successful in form-

ing local ties with many of them. Even Vargas was compelled to say that he was not adverse to alliances with Prestes.

For the PCB is today the major organized political power in Brazil, apart from the governmental machinery. With their audacious, national and flexible line they expect to gain one-fifth of the electorate. They see in Brazil the same possibilities for leading the nation that the Communists have already reached in France and Italy.

On our way home in a four-hour auto ride from Campinas I remarked to the painter, Candido Portinari, that he had made a fine speech for an artist. I added that Prestes' speech was amazing. Portinari replied that Prestes is a "painter of politics."

The small man behind the blanket in the rear of the auto smiled a soft smile. Politics is an art in Brazil, and in this art, Prestes is a master.

[Tomorrow: U.S. Pressure.]

Portal Pay

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point of the future, is also the basic question of shortening the work-day. Further, payment by the company—whether through the courts or by direct negotiations between union and employer—for this time spent on the employer's property, will also help the worker meet the highway robber price increases that have wiped out all his previous wage increases. Lastly, winning this fight, will mean setting a new precedent for all workers and unions in negotiating new contracts.

Important as is this struggle—and the accompanying one of defeating legislation aimed at preventing the workers from collecting this money due them—it should never be forgotten that this is a so-called fringe demand. The central demands of the workers and their trade union, for substantial wage increases, health and security insurance at employers' expense, guaranteed annual wage, shorter and standard work week, etc., must be kept in the forefront. The portal-to-portal fringe demands are not and cannot be a substitute for the central demands of the workers. Together they must be fought for and won.

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 WCB-Our Gal Sunday
 1:00-WNBC-Mary Margaret McBride
 WOR-Better Hearing
 WJZ-H. R. Baukhage, News
 WCB-Big Sister-Sketch
 WMCA-News; Mr. and Mrs. Music
 WQXR-News; Midday Symphony
 1:15-WJZ-Powers Charm School
 WCB-Ma Perkins
 1:30-WOR-Listen Here, Ladies
 WJZ-Galen Drake
 WCB-Young Dr. Malone
 1:45-WNBC-Robert McCormick, News
 WOR-The Answer Man
 WCB-Road of Life-Sketch
 2:00-WNBC-Today's Children-Sketch
 WOR-Daily Dilemmas
 WJZ-Kiernan's Corner
 WCB-Second Mrs. Burton
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 WJZ-The Woman's Exchange
 WCB-Perry Mason-Sketch
 2:30-WNBC-Masquerade-Sketch
 WOR-Queen for a Day
 WJZ-Bride and Groom
 WCB-Lone Journey-Sketch
 WMCA-Elton Britt, Songs
 WQXR-Curtain at 2:30
 2:40-WNBC-Betty Crocker, Guest
 2:45-WNBC-Light of the World-Sketch
 WCB-Rose of My Dream
 WQXR-Music Memory Game
 3:00-WNBC-Life Can Be Beautiful
 WOR-Martha Dean Program
 WJZ-Ladies, Be Seated
 WCB-Bouquet For You
 WMCA-News; Band Parade
 WQXR-News; Recent Releases
 3:15-WNBC-Ma Perkins-Sketch
 3:30-WNBC-Pepper Young
 WOR-Rambling with Gambling
 WJZ-Pat Barnes-Talk
 WCB-Winner Take All
 WQXR-String Orchestra
 3:45-WNBC-Right to Happiness
 WJZ-Talk-Jean Colbert
 4:00-WNBC-Backstage Wife
 WOR-Ask Dr. Eddy
 WJZ-Tommy Bartlett Show
 WCB-House Party
 WMCA-News; Mr. and Mrs. Music
 WQXR-News; Symphony Matinee
 4:15-WNBC-Stella, Dallas
 4:25-WCB-News Reports
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 4:45-WNBC-Young Widder Brown
 WOR-Buck Rogers-Sketch
 WJZ-Dick Tracy
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 WOR-Hap Harrigan-Sketch
 WJZ-Terry and the Pirates
 WCB-School of the Air
 WMCA-News; Mr. and Mrs. Music
 WQXR-News; Today in Music
 5:15-WNBC-Florida Faces Life
 WCB-Superman-Sketch
 WJZ-Sky King-Sketch
 WQXR-Latin-American Rhythm
 5:30-WNBC-Just Plain Bill
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 WJZ-Jack Armstrong
 WCB-Treasure Bandstand
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 WQXR-Cocktail Time
 5:45-WNBC-Front Page Farrell
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 WJZ-Tennessee Jed
 WMCA-Listen to a Story
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 6:00-WNBC-News; Music
 WOR-George C. Putnam, News
 WJZ-News; Sports-Joe Hasel
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 6:15-WNBC-Serenade to America
 WOR-Bob Elson, Interviews
 WJZ-Ethel and Albert
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 6:30-WOR-News-Fred Vandeventer
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 WCB-Sports-Red Barber
 WMCA-Racing Results
 WQXR-Dinner Concert
 6:40-WNBC-Sports-Bill Stern
 6:45-WNBC-Lowell Thomas
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 WJZ-Ed and Pegeen Fitzgerald
 WCB-Robert Trout, News
 WMCA-Sports Resume
 7:00-WNBC-Supper Club Variety
 WOR-Pulton Lewis Jr., Comments
 WJZ-Headline Edition
 WCB-Mystery of the Week
 WMCA-News; Music
 WQXR-News; Celebrity Hall
 7:15-WNBC-News of the World
 WOR-The Answer Man
 WJZ-Elmer Davis-News
 WCB-Jack Smith Show
 WMCA-Echoes of the Big Time
 7:30-WNBC-Grand Marquee-Play
 WOR-Arthur Hale
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 WCB-Mr. Keen-Play
 WMCA-Raymond Walsh, Comments
 WQXR-Record Rarities
 7:45-WOR-Sports-Bill Brandt
 WMCA-Fashions in Melody
 8:00-WNBC-The Aldrich Family
 WOR-Sound-Off
 WQXR-News Symphony Hall
 WCB-Suspense-Play
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 WMCA-News; UN Records
 8:15-WJZ-Erwin D. Canham, News
 8:30-WNBC-Burps and Allen, Comedy
 WOR-Count of Monte Cristo
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 WCB-FBI in Peace and War
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 8:55-WCB-Bill Henry News
 9:00-WNBC-Music Hall
 WOR-Gabriel Heatter
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 WQXR-News; Concert Hall
 9:15-WOR-Real Stories
 9:30-WNBC-Jack Haley Show
 WOR-Treasure Hour of Song
 WJZ-Echoes of New York
 WCB-Crime Photographer
 WQXR-Author Meets the Critic
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 WQXR-News Reports

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 11:30-BBC Radio Newsreel.
 11:45-Musical Comedy Memories.
 11:55-News Summary.
 12:00-Midday Symphony. "Piano Con-
 certino No. 1 in D Minor" by
 Brahms.
 12:55-News Summary.
 1:00-Missing Person Alarms.
 1:10-City News Summary.
 1:15-Jazz Classics. With Allan Zach-

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 2:00-Official US Weather Report.
 2:05-Gilbert and Sullivan Matinee.
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 3:30-Harlem Hospitality Club.
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5:55-News Summary.
 6:00-Folk singer. Burl Ives.
 6:15-South American Way.
 6:45-Official US Weather Report; USEB
 "Help Want Ad Column of the
 Air."
 6:55-News Summary.
 7:00-Masterwork Hour. Music of
 Richard Strauss. "Ein Helden-
 leben."
 7:55-News Summary.
 8:00-Police Dept. Band.
 8:30-The Universe Around Us.
 9:00-Municipal Concert Hall. Record
 Hobbyist Club. With Herman Neu-
 man, Music Director WNYC.
 9:55-News Summary.
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In this corner

Ben Field and a Swell Idea

By Bill Mardo

I DISCOVERED Ben Field to be a Flatbush neighbor of mine two weeks ago, when he spotted me running my German Shepherd pup across the green stretches of the Parade Grounds ballfield which outlines one end of Prospect Park. While casting a trained eye at my pooch, the author of *Piper Tompkins* and many fine farm stories suggested: "Why don't you write a piece about your pup—I'm sure there are many readers who'd like such a story." Fact is, I was thinking the same thing but still Ben wasn't satisfied with our pledge to do such a column about Lobo. The lanky people's novelist who speaks with the easy quiet of the farmers he writes about, was leading up to something else.

"You know, Bill, the Daily Worker sports page should feature a lot of articles that are off the beaten track. A dog story is one suggestion. But how about the many other activities which come under the general heading of sports and which unfortunately enjoy a second-class citizenship on the sports pages?"

Brother Ben went on to name a few: "Oh there's handball, fishing and hunting, trotters, billiards, skiing, midget autos, sandlot baseball, chess, lacrosse, ping-pong, archery, the dog races and dog-shows, horseshoe pitching, lawn bowling, badminton, and how about bocchi—that game so popular among the older Italian-Americans?"

Ben drew a breath, but there was no need to name any other games for he'd certainly made his point. So following up on his excellent suggestion, this is what the Daily Worker sports department would like to do: We're ready to open this page to all who'd like to write in with stories about their favorite games, preferably like the ones named above which people rarely read about. You can discuss it in various ways. Either as an amusing experience you had with that particular sport—or just an educational article explaining the game to our readers.

How about it? I'm sure many of you folks are filled with nice sports tales—as a matter of fact I can already see Farmer Fred Briehl, for one, sitting down to his typewriter right now to tell us about those old Monday night boxing shows up Walkill way when he used to take on all comers from the surrounding farms. "If you can lick Fred Briehl, mister, then you're a real fighter," used to be the slogan in that upstate farm country.

So let's hear from you folks. Write as long or short as you please—because this is the kind of stuff people like to read.

And just for a starter, the man who engineered this stunt, author Ben Field, promises to lead off with a story on one of his favorite sports—the trotting races run off at Goshen, NY every season.

Who knows . . . if this fine idea really catches on we may get Les Rodney to come in with an article about his pet sport—the great game of kick-the-can.

Seriously though, let's hear from all of you on these many sports which are rarely exhibited in vast arenas and even more rarely publicized in the commercial minded sports sheets of the Big Press—which unlike the Daily Worker, HAS the space to play up these lesser-known sports if it wanted to. Well, this page WANTS to, space problem or no.

Let's go!

ROUNDUP

Infielder Burgess Whitehead, 36-year-old veteran of 12 major league seasons, was released unconditionally yesterday by the Pittsburgh Pirates.

Mickey Owen, yesterday filed a counter-claim for \$93,908.56 against owner Jorge Pasquel of the Mexican League, charging that he was fired without cause or justification. Pasquel is suing Owen for \$127,500.

Assistant Manager Earle Mack of the Philadelphia Athletics announced that Phil Marchildon, ace

of the team's pitching staff, catcher Buddy Rosar, and outfielder Sam, chairman, have signed new contracts.

It looks like Cornell in the Ivy League. The Big Red took Harvard over the hurdles and seems to be too good for the rest of them, with the most trouble expected from Penn. Dartmouth doesn't have it this year for a change. To give you an idea of how far the Ivy League brand of ball is from the Madison Square Garden type, Canisius thumped Cornell. And Manrattan walked away with Dartmouth.

Reader's Corner:

Daily Worker Sports:

Mr. Jack Waldman, former athletic director of Red Hook Community Center and many other Community Centers is now very much interested in forming a girls basketball team to represent Brooklyn. Would like to have girls 16 or over with a little experience

get in touch with me.

I would appreciate it very much if you could print this in your paper.

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Jack Waldman
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Wants to Start Girls' Basketball Team to Represent Brooklyn

A phone conversation with Mr. Waldman reveals that he is primarily interested in an amateur team, expenses paid, to play other teams of community house status. He has had experience in coaching and teaching the game and feels that women have been neglected in sports.

YANKEES—BOTH OF 'EM—STILL TRYING TO SIGN TRIPPI

The newly merged ownership of the baseball and football Yanks (MacPhail-Topping-Webb) didn't quite have Charley Trippi's signature on the dotted line at deadline time last night but indications were the great Georgia U. halfback and fullback would soon sign with both organizations. It would be a big deal for the new AA and a blow to the National League as Charley is the number one prize of the college gridiron.

Dodger Accent Is on Youth

Branch Rickey's Brooklyn Dodgers youth movement will reach an all-time peak in 1947—and he's not sure whether to be glad or sorry.

"We're probably 50 years younger in total major league experience than any club in baseball," says the Mahatma.

"The 46 players on the Dodger roster have a total Major League experience of only 103 years," he said. "Why, four years ago we had one group of 12 players whose total ran up to 133 years alone."

Rickey thinks his kids can beat out the St. Louis Cardinals in 1947 and, with a young club, continue that domination of the National League well into the future.

Here's the breakdown:

There are 16 men on the Dodger roster with less than 30 days in the Majors—officially speaking, without Major League Experience. There are 10 with one year or less. There are six with two years or less. There are only 13 with more than two years with Dixie Walker heading the list with 13 and Arky Vaughan right behind with 12. The remainder of the "Old Men's League" tapers sharply behind Walker and Vaughan.

Rickey said any youth movement was bound to be tough on many older players who apparently had plenty of good years left.

"When a man starts to lose his speed, he'll be replaced and probably sooner than most baseball people would do it," he said. "Furthermore the sooner a young player can deliver in high circles the quicker you can realize on your investment in him."

Air Transport 5 Emerson, in Debut

The Labor Sports Federation basketball tourney which opened last night (results in tomorrow's paper) continues tonight with a single game between two of the more confident teams in the league.

Air Transport Local 501 of the TWU meets Emerson Local 430, UE at Central Needle Trades High, 24 St. between 7th and 8th Ave. at 6:30 p.m.

The Emerson team, composed of all vets, many of whom managed to get in some fast basketball during their army careers, rates high on pre-game practices.

Manager Pat McGahan of the Air Transport team announces confidently "We will win the championship." The Transport boys are also vets, and all had prior experience on high school and club teams.

Don't Weep for Poor Old NYU Yet

TANNENBAUM MADE THE DIFFERENCE

By Lester Rodney

Yes, North Carolina's thrice beaten basketball team nipped NYU Tuesday night at the Garden 50-48, but before anyone asks us to write on the Decline and Fall of Metropolitan basketball, pray consider the following:

1—Sid Tannenbaum, the one man on the NYU team who is almost never replaced during a game, was sick. Dogged with a cold and a fever he tried to play and had to come out of there after it was apparent he didn't have either his shooting eye or his play-setting-up bounce. He contributed just two points to NYU score and couldn't stay in there to do a defensive job on Hooks Dillon, who helped wreck the cause with four of his peculiar goals from the bucket.

2—The high scorer for North Carolina was a Southern gentleman named Norm Koehler from Washington Heights, a contemporary of NYU's Marty Goldstein at George Washington High School. He shot 15 points and did lots of damage around the boards.

Now it can be argued that the absence of one man wouldn't wreck a really good team. The answer has to be that Tannenbaum is not just an ordinary star but an All American performer around whose play the NYU team's offense has been largely built. Without Sid's perfect passes for example, Ray Lump was such a ball of fire, dropping only two field goals.

Withal, NYU lost by the margin of two fouls missed, each team canning 20 from the floor. Little Donnie Forman's driving, twisting solo sorties (13 points) and Joe De Boni's corner set shooting (12) represented most of the NYU attack against the hustling visitors.

The defeat pulls NYU back to the metropolitan field, with two losses. We are willing to predict right now (what have we got to lose but our reputation?) that with a hale Tannenbaum NYU will turn the tables on North Carolina when they meet again Feb. 3 down at Chapel Hill.

LIU, the team that everybody raps for "looking bad," continued to

"look bad" and continued to beat good ball clubs in taking St. Louis, conquerors of Oklahoma A & M, 46-44. Big Dick Holub, back in form, outplayed the touted, and good, big Mac Auley of the visitors, tossing in 18 points to Mac's 15. The grass always looks greener, etc. Claire Bee's men now have a record of 10-2 and say what you will, THAT doesn't look bad at all. Next to Holub the best looking LIUer was Kassler, who played his best game of the year. Both Holub and Kassler spent several basket-ball less years in the Army and are gradually shedding the rust.

Pick St. John's, Syracuse Tonite

Tonight's twin bill at the Garden features St. John's against Temple of Philadelphia. The opener pits Syracuse against Manhattan.

Temple, with a tall, unpredictable team, has lost five games but beat three good teams in Muhlenberg, Colorado and Wyoming. It has two Brooklyn boys, one Tom Henry, a

WE PICK:

St. John's over Temple
Syracuse over Manhattan
RECORD: 31 right,
7 wrong

transfer from St. John's, and the other Frank Martello of Erasmus High.

St. John's, with a record of 5-4, has suddenly started looking good with wins over CCNY and Manhattan. Harry Boykoff is scoring heavily from the pivot, Dick McGuire is right on Sim Tannenbaum's heels as an all round playmaker, and vets Frascella and Doctor are looking up. They should win.

Syracuse figures to have too much for inexperienced Manhattan. The upstaters lost only to Michigan State in overtime, and have averaged 67 a game in beating teams like Bowling Green, Cornell, Princeton and Yale. Bill Gabor, a fleet forward, has scored 203 points in the eleven games. Manhattan's record is 8 and 2, but they have no notable triumphs except a win over subpar Dartmouth.

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Stokowski Hails Work
By Young Negro Composer

CHICAGO.—Rejected and cast-off by most symphonic celebrities although he won a World's Fair prize in composition in 1940, Frank Gaskin Fields has finally won recognition in two of the highest-paid brackets of serious music composers.

Not only has Leopold Stokowski contracted to conduct Fields' latest composition, states an article *Odyssey for the Blues* in the February issue of *Negro Digest*, but the young pianist has also received an offer to compose background music for a film studio.

Stokowski says that *Heritage*, the title of the last Fields composition, is one of the most beautiful scores he has ever heard. Arrangements are now under way for the premiere.

In 1940 Fields' composition, *Chant Ritual*, won the New York World's Fair prize, one of the features of which was a chance for the composer to conduct his piece with a symphony orchestra. When officials discovered that Fields was a Negro, however, he was sent away. His first chance to conduct *Chant Ritual* was given him in Mexico.

Heritage was written while Fields was in the Army. The piece traces Negro and blues themes in American music. Only small groups have been fortunate enough to hear Fields' piano arrangements of the theme, but it has been highly successful at every performance.

Olivier to
Film 'Hamlet'

LONDON. — Laurence Olivier has announced that he will produce and star in a Technicolor motion picture of William Shakespeare's *Hamlet* under the banner of the Two Cities Film Company, for which he filmed *Henry V*.

Olivier said the production is scheduled for March at the Denham Studios outside London and will take about four months to complete.

His wife, Vivien Leigh, will appear in the film if her health permits, he said.

After completion of the picture the Oliviers will visit Australia.

The Rainbow Is Bright

By Samuel Sillen

Finian's Rainbow is a superb musical—witty, fresh and socially hep, a joyful evening in the theatre. Carrying on their Bloomer Girl tradition, E. Y. Harburg and Fred Saily have fashioned a book miles above Broadway hitdrum. They have mixed enchanting legends about leprechauns with cutting comments on white supremacists. Despite some wobbling here and there, the total effect is bold and imaginative.

Of all our theatre forms, the musical stage seems to be able to get closest to the native idiom. And what gives this production so much of its zip and zest is the folk quality—the possibly far-fetched but congenial combination of Irish and Southern sharecropper (Negro and white) folk humor and fantasy and hefty feeling against injustice.

It was the quest for good fortune that brought Finian McLonergan and his daughter Sharon all the way from Glacca Morra to Rainbow Valley in Missouri, U. S. A. Finian came with a golden crock to test the McLonergan theory that it's gold planted in the ground (witness Fort Knox) that radiates prosperity. Poor Finian hadn't counted on half a dozen unpredictables—like the leprechaun Og gradually becoming mortal, the meanness of Senator Billboard Rawkins, the wish that turned Rawkins into a colored man and his seeing life from a new point of view, Sharon's falling in love with a union organizer.

FINE THEATRE

Such goings on provide the occasion for barbed brightness aimed at the high-and-mightiest of the world. And it helps no end to have someone like Ella Logan in the center of things. Miss Logan, who seems wonderfully herself, is lovely to look at and pleasant to hear. She makes a fine daughter for the Finian of Albert Sharpe, who comes from Ireland to make his first and altogether welcome appearance on the American stage.

Few musicals have been so successfully designed as a unit. Instead of appearing as a series of vaguely linked sketches, Finian's Rainbow fuses the dance, music, lyrics and book into a harmonious whole. And with a wealth of talent at its command, ranging from the authentic harmonica-shout of Sonny Terry and the richly expressive dancing of Anita Alvarez to the delightful make-believe of David Wayne's Og and the folk harmonies of the Lyn Murray Singers.

The Negro and white players

Soviet Music

Norman Corwin recently returned from his world tour as the first recipient of the Willkie Memorial Award during which he visited the Soviet Union, will be the guest speaker at a panel discussion, Music and Musicians in the Soviet Union. This Forum will be held at a meeting of the American Soviet Music Society with Aaron Copland presiding, on Friday evening, Jan. 24, in the Carnegie Chamber Music Hall, at 8:30 p.m.

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are firmly integrated here, and once again we have a striking demonstration that the theatre gains enormously in depth and dignity when the Jim-crow is rubbed out. The ensemble has sweep and variety. Only once is there bad fumbling, and that is in the "When the Idle Poor Become the Idle Rich" number. Potentially a fine satiric number, it comes close to being conventionally garish. More seriously, the authors have undercut their sympathetic folk quality by making it appear that poor people aspire merely to the extravagantly bad taste of the rich.

In a different way, the treatment of the polltax Senator leaves much to be desired. The satire at the outset is good. But the hocus-pocus alteration of "Billboard Rawkins—who gets converted with a magic dash of brotherhood and good will and a change of color—turns the satire into mere trickiness and sentimentality.

HEALTHY VIEWPOINT

But the social meaning of Finian's Rainbow will certainly not be lost by the stuffed shirts who go to the theatre to have their prejudices confirmed. A lot of toes get the good hard stepping on they deserve. This is comedy with a healthy progressive point of view.

Harburg and Burton Lane have given us a raft of excellent songs, varied, tuneful and smart. One remembers pleasantly "If This Isn't Love," "Something Sort of Grandish," "Great Come-and-Get-It-Day," and the others.

Everybody connected with the show deserves a hand for whipping it into a musical that breaks new ground. Bretagne Windust

directed; Jo Mielziner did the scenery (really one scene—another remarkable departure). The choreography is by Michael Kidd.

It's a bright and friendly rainbow that Lee Sabinson and William R. Katzell are presenting at the Forty-Sixth Street Theatre.

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AVC Sponsors Rally to
Stop Jimcrow in Theatres

The Theatre Chapter of the American Veterans' Committee, composed of ex-servicemen active in the theatre will hold a special rally, called *Onstage, Democracy* at the Alvin Theatre on Monday night, Jan. 20. The rally, which will begin at 11:45 p.m. is open to members of all theatrical unions and guilds, with admission of showing of membership cards.

AVC is sponsoring the rally with a twofold purpose: first, to honor the cast of *Joan of Lorraine* for their courageous stand in Washington in decrying discriminatory practices against Negroes in the theatres of the nation's capital, and also to solidify theatrical unions and guilds into taking definite and decisive action against discrimination in the theatre, putting a stop once and for all to Jimcrowism in all theatres.

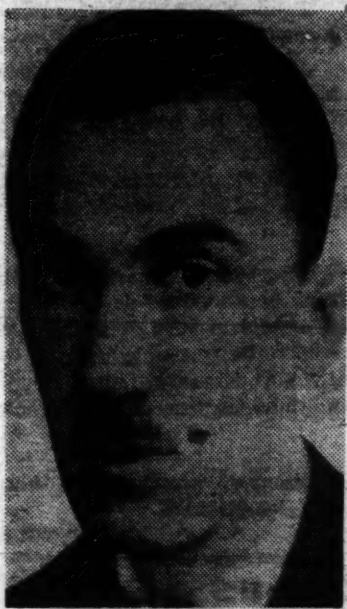
AVC's aim is to set up a permanent fair practices committee, to guard against such discrimination. Such a move is already under consideration by Actors' Equity Association and other theatrical groups, each of which will be represented by a speaker at the *Onstage, Democracy* rally.

Among those who will take part in the ceremonies and entertainment will be Ingrid Bergman, Sam Wanamaker, Romney Brent and the entire cast of *Joan of Lorraine*; playwright Robert E. Sherwood; Jose Ferrer, star of *Cyrano de Bergerac*; Clarence Derwent, president of Actors' Equity Association; Yasha Frank; producer Lee Sabinson and composer E. Y. Harburg of *Finian's Rainbow*; Zero Mostel and Marie Bryant of *Beggar's Holiday* and Dr. Frank Kingdon.

'The Taras Family'
At the Irving

Starting today the Irving Pl. Theatre will present *The Taras Family*, Mark Donskoy's first Soviet Film drama since *The Rainbow*. It reveals the solidarity of Jew and Gentile in the Soviet Union in their struggle against the Nazis.

On the same bill—Harry Baur in *The Mad Emperor*.



ROBERT SHERWOOD

USSR Finds
Stone Age
'Flute'

MOSCOW. — Professor Alexei Okladnikov, head of the archeological expedition of the Marr Institute of History of Material Culture, back from Kolyma, said:

"There are vast areas in the extreme north of Siberia that have not been explored by archeologists as yet. We started excavations in the Yakutsk area and discovered a settlement of the Stone Age where we found a remarkable musical instrument made of the tubular bone of a swan, which resembled a flute.

"The instrument is at least three or four thousand years old. Excavations in Magadan showed that numerous stone and bone articles and remnants of earthen vessels are buried on the Okhotsk Sea coast. From Magadan we moved to the Kolyma River and on its banks discovered several camps of ancient inhabitants of northeastern Asia."

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Davis Hits Landlords At Harlem Fire Parley

By John Hudson Jones

City Councilman Benjamin J. Davis yesterday nailed Harlem landlords as "the main trouble and cause" of that community's fire hazards, before a Police Department sponsored fire prevention conference of more than 40 city, federal, and community officials and leaders.

Davis told those present at the 28th Precinct, after blame for fires and violations had been put upon tenants by previous speakers, "We would be living in a fools paradise if we placed the main burden on the people who have to live in such congested conditions."

Inspector Joseph Goldstein, of the Sixth Detective Division, who chaired the meeting, said fires could be prevented if "the tenants and landlords acted to observe the regulations." He outlined a proposed program of fire prevention education in the schools, and asked "the Police Department be notified immediately of any violations."

Among other causes for fire Goldstein mentioned "... parents leaving children at home with matches. That's a habit they have here in Harlem." He was at a loss however as to why the parents had to go to work and leave the children behind.

MODERN HOUSING NEED

Representing the Fire Department, Acting Chief Inspector Peter Maher of Fire Prevention and Com-

bustion, felt that "the eventual solution to Harlem's problems will be modern housing ..." but until then he suggested "... existing laws can be backed up by police authority, and stronger multiple dwelling laws. ..."

The majority of fires are caused by rubbish in dumbwaiters, behind staircases, in hallways and by defective wiring, according to Fire Department reports, Maher informed the meeting. He urged the use of summonses to force landlords to remove these violations.

Newly appointed Deputy Commissioner of Housing and Buildings, J. Raymond Jones said that his department was under-staffed and faced with a "12 years' backlog of work." He asked the cooperation of all the other city departments. "From now on," he said, "there will be only one warning issued to a landlord about rubbish in dumbwaiters and other violations."

Taking issues with Davis and defending the landlords was Matthew Eider, executive vice-president of the Uptown Chamber of Commerce, and Leopold Weiss, chairman of the

C of C's Real Estate Division.

Eider thought the tenants, too, were equally responsible. Weiss disagreed with Davis. We "landlords up here are not a bunch of savages. ... To Davis' charge that 'nobody knows who the landlords in Harlem are,' Weiss said, 'The tax rolls will show who pays the taxes, but who knows who the 30 landlords in a 30-family house are?'"

He went on to complain about the "practice of renting out rooms." "The tenants never get summonses," he complained, "although they throw things out the window after bringing in food in packages, to eat in their rooms."

Lieut. Linzie White, a Negro fireman, described Harlem as a "ghetto area that hems us in." He said that tenants should be educated to report the smallest fires and the proper transmission of alarms. He said the Harlem fire fighters "are the fellows who have to give the pound after the ounce of prevention was not taken."

REGULAR MEETING PLANNED

Speakers agreed that the conferences should be made regular, and that cooperation among city departments, tenants and landlords was necessary to meet the fire hazard.

Assistant Chief Inspector Frank Frytensky of the Police Department, Manhattan East Borough Command, said that the police would act when violations were brought to their attention and that "the 'landlords and their janitors should get down to business.'"

Among the other officials present were Donald Pearman of the U. S. Attorney General's office; Battalion Chief Wesley Williams, New York's only Negro chief; Donald Creighton, OPA, and Mr. Claire C. Baldwin, assistant superintendent of the Board of Education.

Education Bd. Elects Jansen New Head

William Jansen, assistant Superintendent of Schools, was unanimously elected yesterday, on the second vote, to the post of New York Superintendent, at a meeting of the Board of Education, 110 Livingston St., Brooklyn.

The first secret ballot showed four votes for Jansen and three for Willard Goslin, Superintendent of Schools in Minneapolis. A vote of four was needed for election.

Jansen succeeds Superintendent of Schools John E. Wade, who reaches the retirement age of 70 this summer. He takes office Sept. 1, and his term runs for six years at \$25,000 a year.

OPPOSED BY MARSHALL

Before the secret balloting James Marshall, board member, stated he would not vote for Jansen because "false elements have infected the decision of the board."

This false issue, he said, was "the

outsider versus the insider" theory in selection.

The majority of the board had recommended Jansen and one of the considerations, said Marshall, had been that Jansen was a New Yorker.

"There should be no question," he said, "of 'insiders' and 'outsiders' in the school system dedicated to the concept of One World and to the support of the United Nations."

After the secret voting, Anthony Campagna, another board member, disclosed that he had cast his vote for Goslin, but asked that the vote for Jansen be unanimous. The third member voting for Goslin was not revealed.

TEACHERS ASK O'DWYER'S AID ON 4-POINT PROGRAM

Mayor William O'Dwyer had on his desk yesterday four proposals from the CIO Teachers Union for more state aid to education and increased salaries for New York city's teachers.

Yesterday morning a delegation from the union, headed by Rose Russell, legislative director, presented the following proposals to the Mayor's secretary.

● That whatever money comes from the state (a \$300 increase was recommended by Governor Dewey) be applied immediately to teachers' salaries.

● That the \$350 cost-of-living bonus granted July 1 be made a permanent part of the salary schedule.

● That the Mayor call on the

Board of Education to adopt a full budget based upon the needs of the school system and not on whatever crumbs Dewey is willing to throw.

● That O'Dwyer take the leadership in the fight to save the city school system by calling on the state legislature to defeat the inadequate Dewey bill which comes up next Monday.

A conference of school representatives of the union yesterday voted to march on Albany Monday, Feb. 10, if Dewey refuses to grant teachers' request for a public hearing on state aid to education and the \$1050 salary increase on Feb. 12.

A rally at the Board of Education, 110 Livingston St., Brooklyn, is scheduled for this Friday at 2 p.m.



by BARNARD RUBIN

THE GLAMOR OF SHOW BUSINESS

(from an "At Liberty" ad in the current Billboard magazine)

"THE LEAP OF DEATH"—the only blind man who hangs himself for a living. Thirty-five foot drop with nooseman knot around neck with flashy aerial display, best of wardrobe, experience, A-1 equipment for small circus or carnival free act. At liberty after Dec. 1. Will go anywhere. Salary open. Address Dee Nifong, 175 W. 39th St., Los Angeles, Calif."

TOWN TALK

Lowell Thomas is unhappy with what he claims is an unsatisfactory number of radio stations (16) hooked up with his program. Unless he gets a full network, Thomas is threatening to quit. ...

Ann Sheridan, Lucille Ball, William Holden and Arthur Treacher have organized a new firm specializing in the production of transcribed radio shows. The first will be called The Smiths of Hollywood.

Jack Benny may bring his show east according to talk of radio-ites in town. Benny is reported to have complained that Hollywood studio audiences are getting too blasé. ...

If Gov. Dewey fails to invoke the New York State Rent Control law to maintain the ceiling on transient hotel day-to-day rates, he may be faced with a court battle on that issue.

The Emergency Committee on Rents and Housing is considering initiating a test case to force Dewey to comply with the intention of the state law—which is to substitute a state ceiling for the federal ceiling lifted. ...

Burl Ives will be heard singing in another movie—The Ballad of Furnace Creek. ...

The Teen-Age Quiz radio program on WFIL (Philadelphia) is now handing out juke boxes as prizes. ...

The musical Street Scene was doing so badly out of town that the producers almost closed it before it reached Broadway. At the last moment, however, producer Lee Shubert decided to take a chance—and now has a smash hit. ...

Lee Sablosky, producer of Finian's Rainbow, hit the jackpot so hard he couldn't even get tickets for his own opening night. ...

Ella Logan, the starring lassie of that show, was on the receiving end of a nice compliment the other night. When she traipsed into the Chateaubriand, host Alex Hunie beamed, "With Scotch so rare—this is a rare pleasure." ...

J. C. Heard, the bandleader, claims he knows a girl who thinks that the wife of a sponsor—is a spinster.

Max Weber, Kunyoshi, Gwathmey, Guy Pene du Bois, Jan Corbino, Louis Bouche, Jose de Creeve and about 150 other top gallery artists are organizing the Artists' Equity. Organization's function will be to protect the economic interests of artists. Demands will be centered around the issues of reproduction rights, commissions, copyrights, royalties, museum discounts and rental fees. ...

Money in circulation in this country is now \$29,163,000,000. (What am I doing here?)

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Virginia House Votes

Ban on Closed Shop

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 14.—The Virginia House of Delegates today passed by overwhelming majorities Gov. William M. Tuck's bills to outlaw the closed shop and to prevent work stoppages in public utilities.

Both measures now go to the State Senate.

Reject Australian Bid

To Invite All to London

LONDON, Jan. 15.—Fedor Gusev, the Soviet delegate today flatly refused to consider an Australian demand that all Allied belligerents be allowed to participate in discussions of the German peace treaty by the deputies of the Big Four Foreign Ministers.

Series on ILGWU

Where is the International Ladies Garment Workers Union Going?

A series of articles starting Sunday in The Worker and continuing in the Daily Worker through next week, by George Morris, Labor Editor of The Worker and Daily Worker.

The articles will tackle the problems of the ladies garment workers as their union of 350,000 members swings into its election campaign for officers and convention delegates.

Says U.S. Must OK Norse-USSR Pact

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—The State Department told Norway and the Soviet Union today that American consent will be necessary to make any change in the 1920 Spitzbergen Treaty.

[In London, the British Foreign Office indicated Britain would not recognize any agreement for construction of Soviet military bases on the Arctic island.]

Churchill Wins Libel Suit Against Adamic

LONDON, Jan. 15.—Winston Churchill today won his libel suit against author Louis Adamic and Harper and Brothers, publishers, and was awarded "substantial" damages of an undisclosed amount. The Evening Standard said the award was about \$20,000.

Churchill had charged that he was libelled in the book, "Dinner at the White House," which Adamic wrote and Harper published.

Hertzog in Lead In Bolivian Election

LA PAZ, Bolivia, Jan. 15.—The election of right-wing Dr. Enrique Hertzog, 49, as Bolivian President appeared assured today on the basis of an incomplete recount of the ballots from the Jan. 5 election.

Soviet Rejects Intervention In Polish Vote

LONDON, Jan. 15.—The Soviet Union has rejected an American demand that the Big Three intervene in Polish elections as "an interference in the internal affairs of Poland."

Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov's reply to a formal U. S. note was broadcast by Moscow radio.

Molotov made counter-charges against Vice Premier Stanislaw Mikolajczyk, Polish Peasant Party leader and said the Polish government must take action against "criminal elements."

Green Asks Aid To Farm Workers

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15.—President William Green of the American Federation of Labor, tonight called for legislation to give the nation's farm workers benefits now enjoyed by industrial employees.

Green told the annual convention of the National Farm Labor Union that the "people of this country will be surprised to learn that farm workers are treated as second-class citizens."